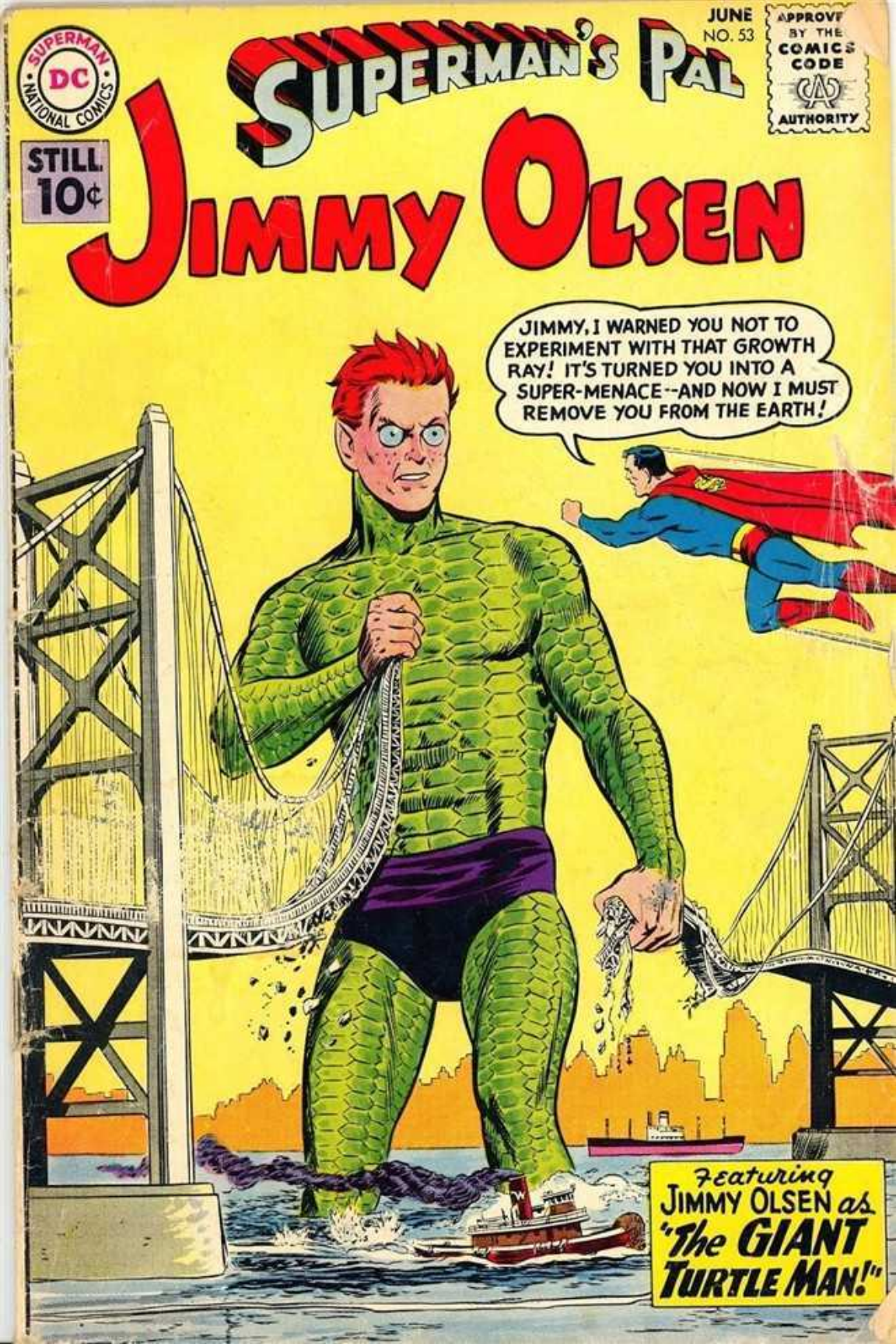
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CHOKE!...WH-WHAT SHOULD I DECIDE??! MOAN!
BEING MIGHTY SUPERMAN'S PAL HAS OFTEN BROUGHT DAILY PLANET NEWSHAWK JIMMY OLSEN A LOT OF FUN AND EXCITEMENT! IN FACT, THE RED-HAIRED YOUNG REPORTER IS THE ENVY OF MANY OTHER YOUTHS WHO WOULD LOVE TO BE IN HIS SHOES! HOWEVER, BEING THE BUDDY OF THE MAN OF STEEL CAN BRING DIRE, UNHAPPY COMPLICATIONS TOO... AS JIMMY DISCOVERS ONE DAY WHEN A STARTLING TWIST OF FATE CAUSES HIM TO BECOME THE
BOY IN THE BOTTLE!
ONE DAY, AS SUPERMAN FLIES CUB REPORTER JIMMY OLSEN TO HIS SECRET ARCTIC FORTRESS...
THANKS, JIMMY, FOR AGREEING TO HELP ME ON A VITAL PROJECT!
MY WEATHER-PROOF, INDESTRUCTIBLE CAPE IS PROTECTING JIMMY FROM THE SUB-ZERO TEMPERATURES!
PRESENTLY, INSIDE THE FORTRESS...
AS YOU KNOW, JIMMY, THE SPACE VILLAIN, BRAINIAC, USED A REDUCING RAY TO SHRINK THE KRYPTONIAN CITY OF KANDOR INTO THIS BOTTLE, BEFORE KRYPTON BLEW UP! I HAVEN'T YET SUCCEEDED IN ENLARGING THE TINY CITY BACK TO ITS NORMAL SIZE...

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MY KANDORIAN DOUBLE, VAN-ZEE, WHO EXACTLY RESEMBLES ME, COULD HELP ME ACCOMPLISH THAT GOAL, BECAUSE HE'S A GREAT SCIENTIST! HOWEVER, MY EXCHANGE RAY CAN ONLY BRING HIM OUT OF THE BOTTLE IF SOMEONE FROM HERE SWITCHES PLACES WITH HIM!
THAT'S WHERE YOU COME IN, JIMMY! THANKS AGAIN FOR AGREEING TO SWITCH PLACES WITH VAN-ZEE!
'BYE, PAL! I'M QUICKLY SHRINKING TO TINY SIZE, WHILE INCREDIBLE FORCES PROJECT ME THROUGH THE GLASS BOTTLE INTO THE CITY!
A MOMENT LATER, INSIDE KANDOR...
HEY! WHO ARE YOU? JEEPERS! YOU LOOK J-JUST LIKE LOIS LANE!
CHUCKLE!--I'M SYLVIA, VAN-ZEE'S WIFE! I ORIGINALLY CAME FROM EARTH, MYSELF! THESE ARE MY TWINS, LILI AND LYLE!
SIMULTANEOUSLY, OUTSIDE THE BOTTLED CITY OF KANDOR...
WELCOME, VAN-ZEE! WE'VE A LOT OF EXPERIMENTING TO DO!
YES!...NOW THAT I'M FREE OF THE BOTTLE'S HEAVY-GRAVITY, I, TOO, HAVE SUPER-POWERS LIKE YOURSELF IN EARTH'S LIGHT GRAVITY!
MEANWHILE, IN KANDOR...
ULP! I...I FEEL LIKE I WEIGH A TON! M-MY KNEES ARE BUCKLING! WHAT'S HAPPENING TO ME??!
THE HEAVY GRAVITY OF THIS KRYPTON CITY IS WEIGHING YOU DOWN! QUICK! SLIP ON THESE ANTI-GRAVITY SHOES MADE BY MY HUSBAND!
SHORTLY...
WHEW! I FEEL MUCH BETTER, NOW!-ER... WHAT'S THAT?
A MEMORY-PILLOW! WHILE YOU SLEEP ON IT, TONIGHT, IT WILL TEACH YOU THE KRYPTONESE LANGUAGE AND KRYPTONIAN CUSTOMS!

THAT EVENING, AS JIMMY SLUMBERS IN VAN-ZEE'S HOME...
AMONG AMAZING KRYPTONIAN CREATURES ARE... THE NON-BREATHING GIMZO... THE METAL-EATING RORRK... THE INVISIBLE PLONNG... AND THE DEADLY YEEPS, WHOSE ULTRA-SONIC TWITTERING DELIBERATELY SHATTERS THE ATOMIC-STRUCTURE OF ITS VICTIM'S BODY...!
NEXT MORNING, AS SYLVIA SHOWS JIMMY STARTLING KANDORIAN SIGHTS...
BEHOLD... A YOUTH POOL! ITS SPECIALLY-TREATED WATERS RESTORE YOUTH AND VIGOR TO THE AGED!
REPORT TO THE EARTH-MONITOR AT ONCE, OLSEN! URGENT!!
AND AS HE OBEYS...
BAD NEWS, JIMMY! VAN-ZEE AND I FAILED TO DISCOVER A WAY TO ENLARGE KANDOR! AND WHEN I TRIED TO SWITCH HIM BACK TO KANDOR AND RETURN YOU TO EARTH... WE DISCOVERED THAT THE EXCHANGE-RAY NO LONGER WORKS!!!
;GASP!!
WHA-AAT?!
A RARE ELEMENT VITAL TO ITS SUCCESSFUL OPERATION HAS WORN OUT! I'VE SEARCHED OUTER SPACE TO FIND MORE OF IT, BUT IN VAIN! YOU'RE DOOMED TO REMAIN IN KANDOR FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE... AND VAN-ZEE IS STRANDED HERE ON EARTH!
NO!... NO!!
GET ME OUTA HERE!!
AN INSTANT LATER...
YEOWLP! HEY! WHAT--?!
;GASP!! --JIMMY HAS BEEN CAUGHT IN THE GRIP OF A GIANT TWEEZERS!
SOON, IN THE FORTRESS, ON EARTH...
AWP! Y-YOU AND VAN-ZEE SEEM GIGANTIC, SUPERMAN!
I'VE TAKEN YOU OUT OF THE BOTTLE AS YOU ASKED! DO YOU WANT TO REMAIN ON EARTH IN YOUR PRESENT TINY SIZE, JIMMY ...OR... SHALL I RETURN YOU TO KANDOR? DECIDE!!
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AS JIMMY STRUGGLES TO MAKE UP HIS MIND...
THAT CAGED VENUSIAN CAT HAS SEIZED JIMMY WITH ITS ENORMOUSLY LONG, FORKED TONGUE! IT INTENDS TO MAKE A MEAL OF LITTLE JIMMY! I'LL SNAP MY FINGERS SUPER-LOUD!
EITHER WAY, I'LL BE UNHAPPY!
HUH?-- AWWPP!
SN-NAAAPP!
VENUSIAN CAT DANGER KEEP FAR AWAY!

QUICKLY, VAN-ZEE ACTS...
THE BOOMING NOISE YOU CREATED FRIGHTENED THE VENUSIAN CAT INTO DROPPING JIMMY BEFORE IT COULD SWALLOW HIM! I USED MY SUPER-SPEED TO CATCH JIMMY BEFORE HE COULD HIT THE FLOOR AND BE INJURED!
GOOD TEAM-WORK!

THAT SETTLES IT! IF I REMAIN HERE, I'LL BE MENACED BY EVERY NORMAL-SIZED CREATURE ON EARTH, BECAUSE I'LL BE SMALLER THAN THEY! SEND ME BACK TO KANDOR. AT LEAST I'LL BE SAFE THERE!
VERY WELL!

SO LONG, SUPERMAN! I-I'LL MISS YOU, PAL! =CHOKE=
GOODBYE... JIMMY...
GIVE MY LOVE TO SYLVIA AND THE CHILDREN! TELL THEM I'LL NEVER STOP TRYING TO GET BACK TO THEM!

SHORTLY, IN KANDOR...
SINCE I'M DOOMED TO REMAIN HERE FROM NOW ON, I'VE GOT TO GET A JOB! I WON'T WORK ON A NEWSPAPER BECAUSE IT'D KEEP REMINDING ME OF THE DAILY PLANET ON EARTH, AND MAKE ME MISERABLE! ... I'LL TRY SOMETHING ELSE!

THE "SOMETHING ELSE" TURNS OUT TO BE...
YOUR JOB, AS EARTH MONITOR OPERATOR, OLSEN, WILL BE TO RECORD ANY GREAT NEW DISCOVERIES MADE BY EARTH'S SCIENTISTS. CAN YOU HANDLE IT?
IT'LL BE A BREEZE!

BUT SOON...
PHOOIE! LISTENING IN ON THESE DULL SCIENTIFIC LECTURES ON EARTH IS BORING! --I KNOW! I'LL SEE WHAT MY GIRL-FRIEND LUCY LANE IS UP TO! POOR KID! SHE MUST MISS ME HORRIBLY!
HOWEVER...
HA! WHEREVER JIMMY OLSEN HAS GONE ON ASSIGNMENT, I HOPE HE STAYS THERE FOREVER! HOW CAN A CUTE CHICK LIKE YOU WASTE SO MUCH TIME ON THAT CREEP? MAY I KISS YOU, LUCY?
NO, LUCY! ... TELL THAT RAT "NO"!!!
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MOAN!--SHE'S LETTING THAT CONCEITED APE KISS HER! ... URK! I'VE GOT TO TURN THIS OFF! I CAN'T STAND IT!! I'LL NEVER TUNE IN ON LUCY AGAIN! NEVER! THAT'S A SOLEMN VOW!!
BUT THE NEXT DAY, JIMMY'S RESOLVE WEAKENS, AND...
GAAA! ... THAT HANDSOME PILOT IS KISSING LUCY WHILE SHE'S WORKING AS AN AIRPLANE STEWARDESS! ... I'VE GOT TO GET AWAY FROM THIS DIABOLICAL EARTH MONITOR OR... OR I'LL GO CRAZY... CRAZY!!!
PRESENTLY, JIMMY GETS ANOTHER JOB, IN A STRANGE KANDORIAN GARDEN...
HERE, AMONG THESE WEIRD PLANTS, I'LL SOON FORGET LUCY EXISTS!
FORBIDDEN
BUT MOMENTS LATER...
GASP! IT'S YOU, LUCY! I D-DON'T KNOW HOW YOU GOT HERE BUT... GOSH, IT'S SWELL TO SEE YOU!

BUT AS THE RED-HAIRED, IMPULSIVE YOUTH FROM EARTH EAGERLY RACES FORWARD, OTHER EMPLOYEES SEIZE HIM...!
HEY, YOU KOOKS! LEGGO! I'LL...!
QUICK! PUT THE HELMET ON OLSEN BEFORE HE GETS EVEN MORE VIOLENT!!

SECONDS LATER, AS JIMMY WEARS THE HELMET, HE SEES...
HOLY CATS! THAT'S NOT LUCY! IT'S...; OOOOLP!;...A FEROCIOUS MAN-EATING PLANT!

IT IS THE ILLUSION-TRAP PLANT! IT LURES ITS PREY INTO ITS CLUTCHES BY CREATING A MENTAL ILLUSION IN THE MIND OF ITS VICTIM THAT IT IS SOMEONE THE VICTIM LOVES! THAT'S WHY WE MUST WEAR SPECIAL PROTECTIVE DEVICES IN THIS FORBIDDEN AREA!
I QUIT!

NEXT, JIMMY GETS A JOB AS ROCKET-SHIP NAVIGATOR, AND AS HE TALKS TO PASSENGERS WHILE ON HIS FIRST FLIGHT...
THIS 3-D IMAGE-ENLARGER I INVENTED IS AMAZING, OLSEN! LET ME EXPLAIN IT TO YOU!.
THAT PRETTY STEWARDESS, LONA LEMAIS, LOOKS JUST LIKE LUCY LANE!! I MUST MEET HER!

SUDDENLY, DISASTER STRIKES...
SOMETHING'S HAPPENED TO THE ROCKETS! THEY AREN'T WORKING! W-WERE FALLING INTO THE JUNGLE!
WE'LL CRASH!!

TERRIFYING MOMENTS LATER...
AAAAAAAAAA!
YIIIIIII!
HELP!

COURAGEOUSLY, JIMMY AND LONA LEMAIS HELP FRIGHTENED PASSENGERS OUT OF THE WRECKAGE...
DO NOT BE AFRAID. NO ONE IS INJURED AND A RESCUE-SHIP IS ALREADY ON THE WAY!
EEEEEEEE!!

IT'S A GIANT FIRE-BREATHING MINOBAT! W-WE'RE DOOMED!
WAIT! I'VE GOT AN IDEA! FOCUS YOUR INVENTION ON ME, PROFESSOR... QUICK!

AND AS THE 3-D IMAGE-ENLARGER SHINES ON JIMMY...
HA, HA! THE GIANT IMAGE OF JIMMY OLSEN IS SCARING OFF THE MINOBAT! HOW CLEVER OF JIMMY!
;CHUCKLE;-HA! I'VE GOT BRAINS I HAVEN'T EVEN USED YET!

WHEN THE RESCUE-SHIP ARRIVES...
YOU'RE BRILLIANT!
SHE LOOKS JUST LIKE LUCY, AND SHE LIKES ME, TOO!
THANKS!--I THINK YOU'RE SWELL, TOO! PLEASE BE MY GIRL-FRIEND, LONA!

SORRY, JIMMY! I'M ALREADY HAPPILY MARRIED! HERE, IN KANDOR, ROCKET STEWARDESSES CAN STILL KEEP THEIR JOBS AFTER MARRIAGE!
I CAN'T BEAR BEING NEAR A GIRL WHO LOOKS LIKE LUCY, AND IS MARRIED TO SOMEONE ELSE! I'LL GET ANOTHER JOB...;CHOKE;

LATER... WATCHING A KANDORIAN "REALLY" MOVIE MAY HELP ME FORGET LUCY LANE, THE GIRL I LOVED AND LOST! AN AMAZING DEVICE ENABLES THE PEOPLE IN THE AUDIENCE NOT ONLY TO SEE AND HEAR, BUT TO SMELL, TASTE AND FEEL WHAT IS BEING SHOWN ON THE SCREEN!

SOON... ¡GULP!¿--I DIDN'T REALIZE THIS "REALLY" MOVIE IS ABOUT AN EARTH YOUTH..."JIMMY OLSEN, SUPERMAN'S PAL"! GOSH, SUPERMAN IS CATCHING ME IN THE MOVIE, AS I FALL TOWARD A VOLCANO... GOLLY, LIKE THE REST OF THE AUDIENCE, I CAN FEEL THE VOLCANO'S HEAT AND SUPERMAN'S STEELY GRIP...!

PRESENTLY... ¡GASP!¿--AND NOW LUCY LANE IS KISSING ME, UP THERE ON THE SCREEN!--GEE! I CAN FEEL THE THRILLING TOUCH OF HER LIPS ON MINE! WHAT BLISS! THIS IS PARADISE!

BUT THEN, AS JIMMY SUDDENLY REMEMBERS THE KISS IS ONLY AN ARTIFICIAL EFFECT SHARED BY HUNDREDS OF OTHERS IN THE THEATER, HE RIPS OFF THE SENSORY-DEVICE AND FLEES...
WHEREVER I TURN, I'M HAUNTED AND MOCKED BY MEMORIES OF LUCY! I... CAN'T...TAKE IT...ANYMORE ...¿SOB!¿...

DESPERATELY, HE VISITS A KANDORIAN MIND-TECHNICIAN, AND THEN...
OLSEN WAS DELIGHTED TO LEARN WE HAVE RECENTLY PERFECTED A MEANS OF BLOTTING OUT UNDESIRED MEMORIES. WHEN HE AWAKENS, HE WILL REMEMBER NOTHING ABOUT LUCY LANE!
THE POOR LAD WAS IN A PITIFUL STATE!

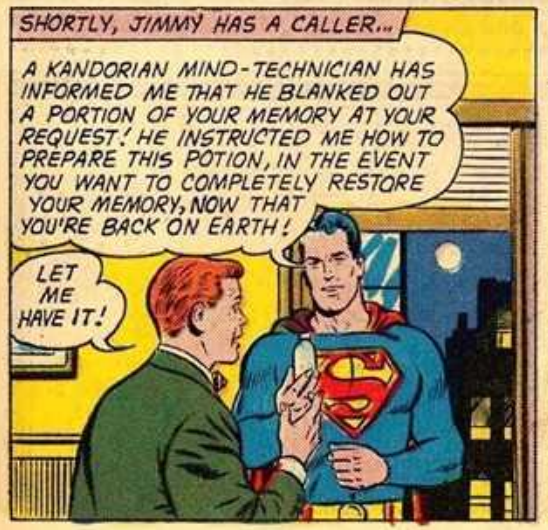
WHEN THE SLEEPER AWAKENS...
GOSH, I FEEL GREAT! I CAN'T EVEN REMEMBER WHAT WAS BOTHERING ME!-??-AWP! WH-WHAT'S HAPPENING TO ME NOW??

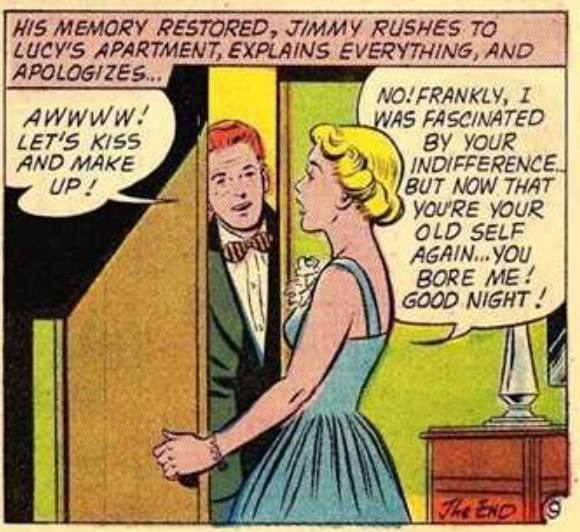
SIMULTANEOUSLY, IN VAN-ZEE'S HOME...
VAN-ZEE! THANK HEAVENS YOU'VE RETURNED, DARLING!
FORTUNATELY, SUPERMAN AND I FINALLY LOCATED, IN A FAR CORNER OF THE UNIVERSE, THE RARE ELEMENT THAT ENABLES THE EXCHANGE-RAY TO WORK!
DADDY, DADDY!

AND IN SUPERMAN'S FORTRESS, ON EARTH...
I'M GLAD I CAN FINALLY RETURN YOU TO YOUR NORMAL SIZE ON EARTH AGAIN, JIMMY! VAN-ZEE AND I FAILED TO DISCOVER A MEANS OF ENLARGING KANDOR! I'LL RETURN YOU TO METROPOLIS, NOW!

LATER, IN METROPOLIS, AS JIMMY DRIVES PAST LUCY...
HI!
IS THIS POSSIBLE? JIMMY IS BACK IN TOWN AGAIN AND... HE'S IGNORING ME! I'LL PHONE HIM AND DEMAND AN APOLOGY!
THAT GIRL MUST HAVE MISTAKEN ME FOR SOMEONE SHE KNOWS...

AFTERWARD, AS LUCY KEEPS TELEPHONING JIMMY...
JEEPERS, DON'T YOU EVER GIVE UP? I TELL YOU, I DON'T KNOW ANY LUCY LANE, TOOTS! GET LOST!!
GASP!
HE MUST BE JOKING! HM-MM! THIS NEW NONCHALANT, HARD-TO-GET JIMMY OLSEN INTRIGUES ME!!


SHORTLY, JIMMY HAS A CALLER...
A KANDORIAN MIND-TECHNICIAN HAS INFORMED ME THAT HE BLANKED OUT A PORTION OF YOUR MEMORY AT YOUR REQUEST! HE INSTRUCTED ME HOW TO PREPARE THIS POTION, IN THE EVENT YOU WANT TO COMPLETELY RESTORE YOUR MEMORY, NOW THAT YOU'RE BACK ON EARTH!
LET ME HAVE IT!


HIS MEMORY RESTORED, JIMMY RUSHES TO LUCY'S APARTMENT, EXPLAINS EVERYTHING, AND APOLOGIZES...
AWWWW! LET'S KISS AND MAKE UP!
NO! FRANKLY, I WAS FASCINATED BY YOUR INDIFFERENCE. BUT NOW THAT YOU'RE YOUR OLD SELF AGAIN... YOU BORE ME! GOOD NIGHT!
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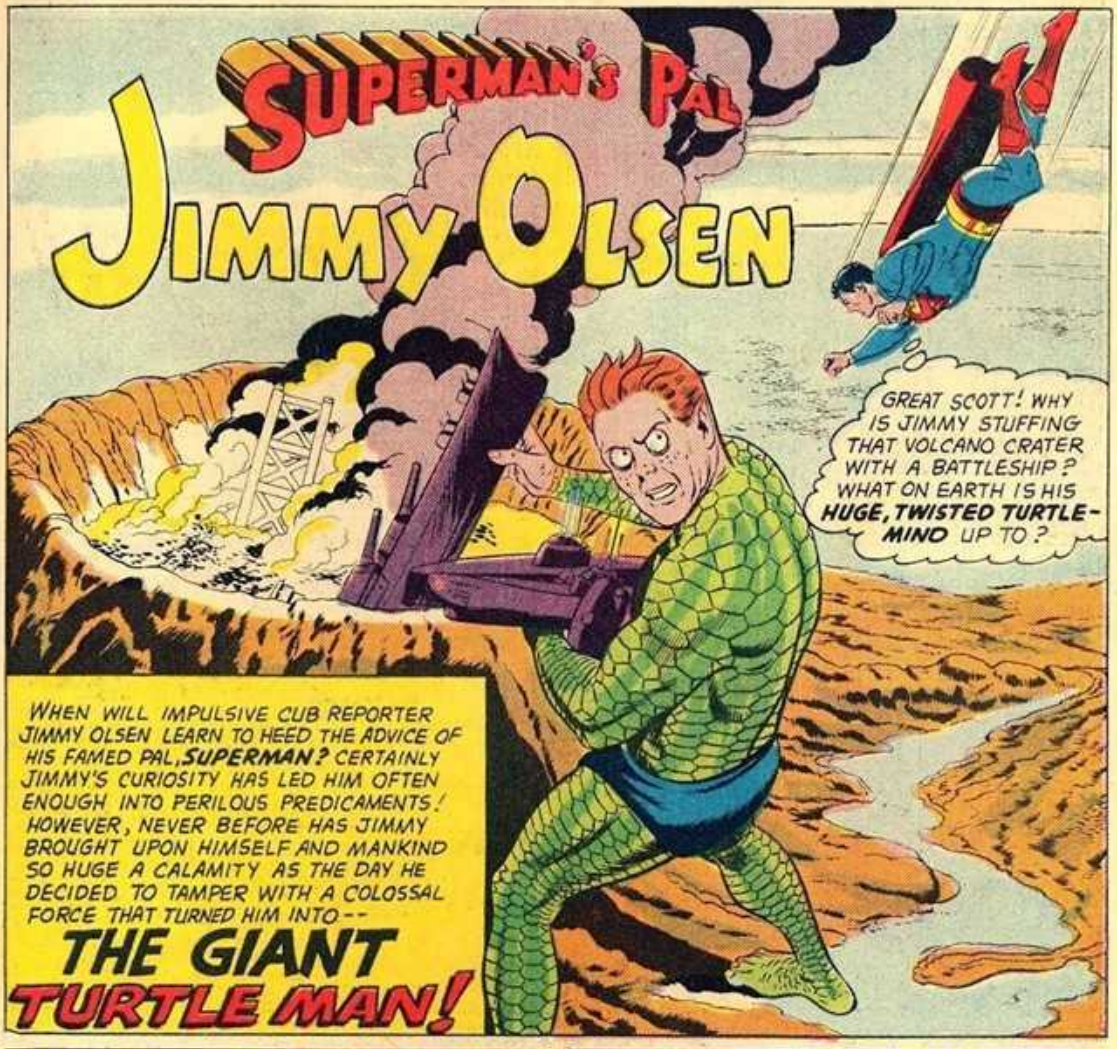
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WHEN WILL IMPULSIVE CUB REPORTER JIMMY OLSEN LEARN TO HEED THE ADVICE OF HIS FAMED PAL, SUPERMAN? CERTAINLY JIMMY'S CURIOSITY HAS LED HIM OFTEN ENOUGH INTO PERILOUS PREDICAMENTS! HOWEVER, NEVER BEFORE HAS JIMMY BROUGHT UPON HIMSELF AND MANKIND SO HUGE A CALAMITY AS THE DAY HE DECIDED TO TAMPER WITH A COLOSSAL FORCE THAT TURNED HIM INTO--
THE GIANT TURTLE MAN!

ONE SUNNY MORNING, AS DAILY PLANET REPORTERS CLARK KENT, LOIS LANE AND JIMMY OLSEN ENJOY A TEN-DAY VACATION TRIP TO THE WEST INDIES...
CLARK! THE SHIP IS DOCKING FOR A FEW HOURS TO TAKE ON A CARGO OF SCRAP METAL! HOW ABOUT GOING ASHORE WITH LOIS AND ME?
SKIP ME THIS TIME, JIMMY! I WANT TO FINISH READING THIS NOVEL!

SHORTLY, AS JIMMY AND LOIS WALK ALONG THE DOCK...
HEY, LOIS! GET A LOAD OF THAT MAGNET CRANE PICKING UP THE SCRAP! IT SURE MUST BE POWERFUL TO PICK UP TONS AT A TIME!
WELL, YOU CAN STAY AND WATCH IT, JIMMY! I'M GOING INTO TOWN TO BUY SOUVENIRS!

OKAY! WHEN YOU'RE FINISHED, LOIS, MEET ME ALONG THE BEACH! I WANT TO TAKE SOME SEASCAPE PICTURES AND DO A LITTLE BEACH-COMBING!
FINE! I'LL JOIN YOU IN AN HOUR OR SO!

SHORTLY, AS JIMMY STROLLS ALONG A DESERTED STRETCH OF SAND...
HEY! THERE'S A STRANGE SORT OF SEA-CHEST THAT LOOKS AS IF IT WERE RECENTLY WASHED UP ON THE BEACH! IT HAS NO MARKINGS ON IT! I WONDER WHAT'S INSIDE...?

THEN, AS JIMMY OPENS ALL THE BOLTS AND LATCHES...
HOW DO YOU LIKE THAT? IT'S A WEIRD RAY-TYPE MACHINE WITH ALL SORTS OF SWITCHES AND DIALS! MAYBE I CAN GET IT TO WORK! LET'S SEE NOW...

SUDDENLY, AS JIMMY TWISTS A FEW DIALS...
GREAT GUNS! I TURNED THE RAY ON! IT'S FOCUSED ON THAT TINY SNAIL! BUT THE SNAIL...SUPER DUPER!... IT'S GETTING BIGGER!

SECONDS AFTER...
OMIGOSH! T-THE RAY ENLARGED THE SNAIL TILL IT BECAME AS BIG AS A HOUSE! ...GASP!... THANK GOODNESS IT'S CRAWLING INTO THE SEA!

THIS GADGET IS OBVIOUSLY SOME KIND OF ENLARGING RAY! IT INCREASES THE SIZE OF ANY OBJECT IT'S AIMED AT! I'LL SEE WHAT IT DOES TO THAT SPONGE AT THE WATER'S EDGE...!

BUT AT THAT MOMENT, AS THE RAY HITS THE SPONGE...
YYEEOO OWWWW!
GOOD HEAVENS, LOIS! GET BACK! IF THIS RAY STRUCK YOU, YOU'D BECOME AS TALL AS A SKYSCRAPER! I THINK I'D BETTER TURN IT OFF AND TAKE NO CHANCES!

SOON, AS JIMMY EXPLAINS HIS DISCOVERY TO THE SHOCKED GIRL REPORTER...
I DON'T KNOW WHERE IT COMES FROM OR WHO INVENTED IT... BUT I'M TAKING IT BACK TO THE SHIP TO STUDY IT AFTER I TAKE A PICTURE OF THAT SPONGE! THERE'S A TERRIFIC STORY IN THIS, LOIS!
TERRIFIC ISN'T THE WORD, JIMMY! ...GULP!... IT'S COLOSSAL!

HOURS LATER, ABOARD THE SHIP...
JIMMY! LISTEN TO THIS! THE CAPTAIN HANDED ME A RADIO MESSAGE FROM THE ISLAND WE JUST VISITED! IT'S FROM CLARK! SEEMS HE WENT LOOKING FOR US ON THE ISLAND AND WAS LEFT ON SHORE! HE'LL TAKE THE NEXT BOAT BACK TO METROPOLIS!
TOO BAD! I WANTED TO SHOW HIM HOW THIS RAY MACHINE WORKS!
ZEE-ZEE-ZEE

HOLY SMOKES! I BROUGHT THIS BRIDGE TABLE TO THIS SECLUDED PART OF THE BOAT SO I COULD EXAMINE THE RAY MACHINE IN PRIVATE! BUT I'VE COME TOO CLOSE TO THAT MAGNET CRANE AND ITS INTERFERENCE SET OFF MY SIGNAL-WATCH! IT'S TRANSMITTING A SUPER-SONIC SIGNAL TO SUPERMAN!
ZEE-ZEE-ZEE

AT THE SAME TIME, AS A FAMED FIGURE STREAKS THROUGH SPACE...
ZEE-ZEE-ZEE--
OH-OH! THAT'S JIMMY SUMMONING ME! I HOPE IT'S SOMETHING IMPORTANT BECAUSE I DELIBERATELY STAYED BEHIND ON THAT ISLAND SO THAT I COULD SAFELY SWITCH TO SUPERMAN AND SPEND A FEW DAYS IN OUTER SPACE ON A VITAL MISSION!

PRESENTLY, AS SUPERMAN RESPONDS TO THE SIGNAL...
SORRY, SUPERMAN! THE SIGNAL-WATCH WENT OFF BY ACCIDENT!
ALL RIGHT, JIMMY! BUT LOIS JUST TOLD ME ABOUT THAT ENLARGING RAY YOU FOUND! BETTER GET RID OF IT! HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN YOUR PERILS WHEN YOU BECAME TINY-SIZED IN THE BOTTLE OF KANDOR? YOU MAY GET INTO SOME GIANT-SIZED TROUBLE IF YOU'RE NOT CAREFUL WITH THAT RAY!
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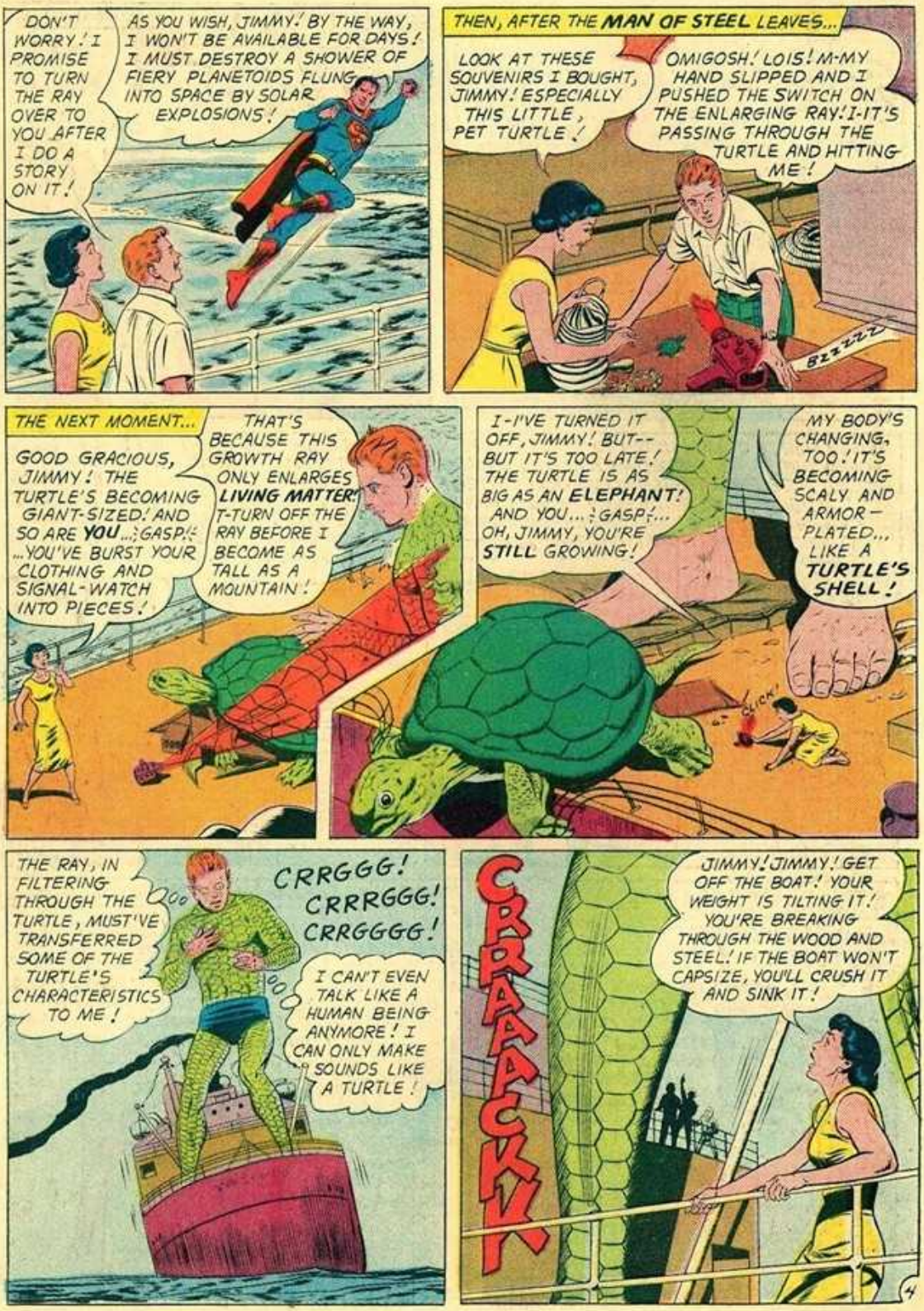
DON'T WORRY! I PROMISE TO TURN THE RAY OVER TO YOU AFTER I DO A STORY ON IT!
AS YOU WISH, JIMMY! BY THE WAY, I WON'T BE AVAILABLE FOR DAYS! I MUST DESTROY A SHOWER OF FIERY PLANETOIDS FLUNG INTO SPACE BY SOLAR EXPLOSIONS!
THEN, AFTER THE MAN OF STEEL LEAVES...
LOOK AT THESE SOUVENIRS I BOUGHT, JIMMY! ESPECIALLY THIS LITTLE, PET TURTLE!
OMIGOSH! LOIS! M-MY HAND SLIPPED AND I PUSHED THE SWITCH ON THE ENLARGING RAY! I-IT'S PASSING THROUGH THE TURTLE AND HITTING ME!
BZZZZZ
THE NEXT MOMENT...
GOOD GRACIOUS, JIMMY! THE TURTLE'S BECOMING GIANT-SIZED! AND SO ARE YOU...;GASP!;...YOU'VE BURST YOUR CLOTHING AND SIGNAL-WATCH INTO PIECES!
THAT'S BECAUSE THIS GROWTH RAY ONLY ENLARGES LIVING MATTER! T-TURN OFF THE RAY BEFORE I BECOME AS TALL AS A MOUNTAIN!
I-I'VE TURNED IT OFF, JIMMY! BUT--BUT IT'S TOO LATE! THE TURTLE IS AS BIG AS AN ELEPHANT! AND YOU...;GASP!;... OH, JIMMY, YOU'RE STILL GROWING!
MY BODY'S CHANGING, TOO! IT'S BECOMING SCALY AND ARMOR-PLATED... LIKE A TURTLE'S SHELL!
CLICK!
THE RAY, IN FILTERING THROUGH THE TURTLE, MUST'VE TRANSFERRED SOME OF THE TURTLE'S CHARACTERISTICS TO ME!
CRRGGG! CRRRGGG! CRRGGGG!
I CAN'T EVEN TALK LIKE A HUMAN BEING ANYMORE! I CAN ONLY MAKE SOUNDS LIKE A TURTLE!
CRRAACK!
JIMMY! JIMMY! GET OFF THE BOAT! YOUR WEIGHT IS TILTING IT! YOU'RE BREAKING THROUGH THE WOOD AND STEEL! IF THE BOAT WON'T CAPSIZE, YOU'LL CRUSH IT AND SINK IT!

INSTANTS LATER, AS JIMMY LEAPS OVERBOARD, AND STARTS SWIMMING AWAY...
CRRRGGG!
CRRGGG!
GOOD HEAVENS! I-I SEE IT BUT I DON'T BELIEVE IT! JIMMY'S TURNED INTO A GIANT TURTLE MAN! BUT WHERE IS HE GOING? WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN NEXT? WE'D BETTER ALERT THE WHOLE WORLD TO BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR HIM!
LATE THAT NIGHT, IN THE METROPOLIS HARBOR...
HOLY SMOKES! L-LOOK WHAT'S COMING! THAT GIANT TURTLE MAN WE HEARD ABOUT OVER THE RADIO! H-HE'S HEADING FOR THIS BRIDGE!
THERE'S NO TELLING WHAT HE'LL DO! WE'D BETTER STOP ALL TRAFFIC AND ORDER ALL DRIVERS TO LEAVE THEIR CARS AND RUN FOR THEIR LIVES!
SHORTLY, AS SHOCKED PEOPLE WATCH FROM EITHER SHORE...
HEAVEN HELP US! T-THE MONSTER'S GOING ON A RAMPAGE! HE'S TAKING THE BRIDGE APART! IF HE HEADS FOR THE CITY, HE'LL DESTROY THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE!
RRIPPP
CRACKK
CRRRGGG!
CRRRGGG!
BUT AS THE GIANT FIGURE MAKES OFF WITH THE STEEL STRUCTURE...
W-WE'RE SAVED! HE'S NOT ATTACKING METROPOLIS! HE'S HEADING OUT TO SEA WITH THE BRIDGE!
AT DAWN, THAT DAY, MANY HUNDREDS OF MILES AWAY... A FANTASTIC SIGHT, AS A COLOSSAL-SIZED JIMMY WALKS UP ON THE BEACH OF A VOLCANIC ISLAND ...AND DEPOSITS THE TWISTED BRIDGE GIRDERS INTO THE COLD CRATER OF A VOLCANO!

LATER THAT DAY, AS A U.S. SUBMARINE FLOTILLA SURFACES FOR NAVAL MANEUVERS...
CRRGG!
CRRGG!
CAPTAIN! THAT SIGNAL WE PICKED UP ABOUT A GIANT TURTLE MAN WHO DESTROYED THE METROPOLIS BRIDGE LAST NIGHT! HE'S HERE! HE'S GOING FOR OUR SUBS!
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WE'RE NO MATCH FOR HIM! GIVE THE ORDER TO ABANDON ALL CRAFT! QUICK!
THUS, AS THE SUBMARINE CREWS FRANTICALLY LEAP TO SAFETY...
THIS IS INCREDIBLE! HOW ARE WE GOING TO STOP THIS THING? HE'S SO FEROCIOUS! IF WE DIDN'T SAVE OURSELVES, HALF OF US WOULD BE DEAD NOW!
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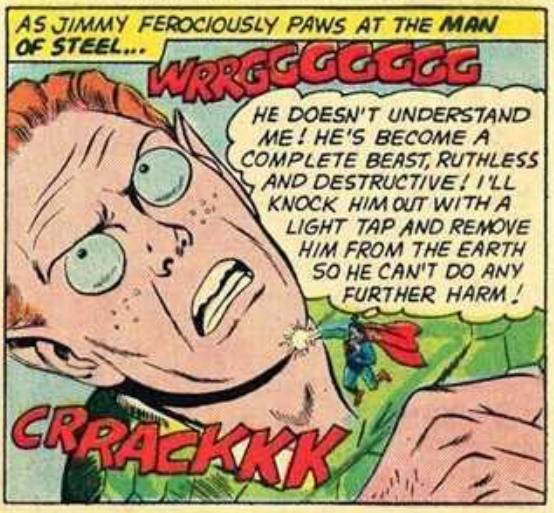
ONCE AGAIN, THE TOWERING PHENOMENON SWIMS TOWARD THE BARREN, UNINHABITED ISLAND! AND AGAIN HE DEPOSITS HIS STEEL SPOILS IN THE VOLCANO'S MOUTH!
CRRACKKK
BWWANNGGG
BWWAMMMM
HOURS LATER, THE SCALY MONSTER REACHES DOWN TO THE BOTTOM OF THE ATLANTIC AND STARTS RIPPING UP THE TRANS-ATLANTIC CABLE WHICH TRANSMITS TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE MESSAGES BETWEEN EUROPE AND AMERICA!
BATTLE STATIONS, EVERYONE! WE'VE SIGHTED THE MONSTER! HE'S PULLING UP THE TRANS-ATLANTIC CABLE! OPEN FIRE WITH ALL GUNS!
THE NEXT MOMENT, AS 16-INCH SHELLS SCREAM THROUGH THE SKY...
CRRGGG!
CRRGGG!
;GASP!; I-IT'S USELESS! OUR SHELLS BOUNCE OFF HIS THICK ARMOR-PLATE SKIN! WE CAN'T BATTLE HIM!
LOOK! HE'S USING THE TRANS-ATLANTIC CABLE AS A LARIAT TO LASSO OUR BATTLESHIP! QUICK! ABANDON SHIP BEFORE WE'RE ALL GONERS!
CRAMMM!
CRRAMMM!

SHORTLY, AS JIMMY LASSOES THE DREADNAUGHT...
NOW HE'S DRAGGING THE SHIP AWAY!... GASP!... HOW IN THE WORLD CAN WE STOP A CREATURE LIKE THAT?
ONLY SUPERMAN CAN STOP HIM! BUT I HEARD FROM THE RADIO OPERATOR THAT HE'S STILL OUT IN SPACE AND DOESN'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON HERE!

HOWEVER, SOON AFTER, AT THE PLANET OFFICE IN METROPOLIS...
THANK GOODNESS YOU CAME BACK, SUPERMAN! BY ACCIDENT, JIMMY BECAME ENLARGED BY THAT WEIRD RAY. HE'S BECOME A MENACE! WE JUST GOT A FLASH THAT HE'S SEIZED A BATTLESHIP!
YES, LOIS! I JUST SPOTTED HIM WITH MY TELESCOPIC VISION! HE'S ABOUT TO DROP IT INTO THE CRATER OF A VOLCANO! I'LL HEAD FOR THE ISLAND HE'S ON NOW!

WITHIN SECONDS, SUPERMAN ARRIVES AT THE UNINHABITED ISLAND...
HMM... THAT VOLCANO, BELIEVED TO BE DEAD, HAS COME TO LIFE AND IS MELTING ALL THE METAL JIMMY DROPPED INTO IT! IT'LL SOON OVERFLOW AND CARPET THE ISLAND WITH MOLTEN METAL LAVA!
CRGGG! CRGGG!
JIMMY! YOU YOUNG FOOL! WHY DIDN'T YOU LISTEN TO ME? WHY DID YOU TAMPER WITH THAT RAY?


AS JIMMY FEROCIOUSLY PAWS AT THE MAN OF STEEL...
WRRGGGGGG
HE DOESN'T UNDERSTAND ME! HE'S BECOME A COMPLETE BEAST, RUTHLESS AND DESTRUCTIVE! I'LL KNOCK HIM OUT WITH A LIGHT TAP AND REMOVE HIM FROM THE EARTH SO HE CAN'T DO ANY FURTHER HARM!
CRRACKKK

BUT AS SUPERMAN IS ABOUT TO CARRY OFF THE HUGE HULK, HE HEARS THE SOUND OF A STRANGE, MENTAL VOICE...
STOP, SUPERMAN! THE HAVOC JIMMY IS WREAKING ISN'T HIS FAULT! THIS IS LORI CONTACTING YOU TELEPATHICALLY FROM ATLANTIS! PLEASE COME DOWN HERE AT ONCE!
...GASP!... LORI, MY FORMER MERMAID SWEETHEART! I WONDER WHAT SHE HAS TO TELL ME!

SOON, AS SUPERMAN PLACES HIS UNCONSCIOUS BURDEN ON THE BOTTOM OF THE SEA...
OUR ATLANTEAN SCIENTISTS SAW ALL THE DESTRUCTION JIMMY WAS WORKING ON THE SURFACE! WITH OUR MIND-READING POWERS, WE READ HIS MIND AND DISCOVERED THAT SOMEONE ELSE WAS DOING HIS THINKING FOR HIM! WE LEARNED IT WAS AN ATLANTIS CRIMINAL NAMED GOXO!

IF YOU FOCUS YOUR X-RAY VISION, YOU CAN SEE GOXO NOW IN HIS LABORATORY, GIVING MENTAL ORDERS TO YOUR UNCONSCIOUS FRIEND!
Y-YES! I SEE HIM... AND I'M INTERCEPTING HIS TELEPATHIC ORDERS!
WAKE UP, YOU FOOL! GO TO THE DEEPEST PART OF THE OCEAN AND DROWN YOURSELF!

FOR HIS CRIMES, GOXO WAS TO BE EXILED NEXT YEAR TO THE SURFACE WORLD! TUNING IN ON HIS MIND, WE DISCOVERED HE WAS PREPARING FOR HIS EXILE! IN A SCIENTIFIC LABORATORY, GIVEN TO HIM IN THE HOPE HE WOULD BECOME REFORMED THROUGH USEFUL WORK, GOXO INVENTED A GROWTH RAY!

"HE RELEASED IT TO THE UPPER WORLD IN A CHEST! IF ANY HUMAN BEING, FINDING IT, ACCIDENTALLY ENLARGED HIMSELF, GOXO INTENDED TO TAKE OVER HIS MIND TELEPATHICALLY!
AH! MY RAY WORKED! THAT YOUNG REPORTER'S CURIOUSITY UNDID HIM AND HE'S BECOME GIANT-SIZED! AS MY VICTIM, HE'LL NOW OBEY ALL MY MENTAL ORDERS! I'LL MAKE HIM COLLECT COUNTLESS TONS OF METAL!

SOMEHOW GOXO KNEW THAT SOME SPANISH MAIN PIRATE TREASURE WAS BURIED ON THAT ISLAND! BY MONITORING THE EARTH, HE ALSO KNEW A GEOLOGY EXPEDITION WAS GOING TO EXPLORE THE ISLAND'S VOLCANO! THEREFORE GOXO WANTED THE ISLAND COVERED WITH MOLTEN STEEL SO THE GEOLOGISTS WOULD NOT FIND THE CACHE!
I GET IT! THANKS, LORI!

PRESENTLY, AFTER SUPERMAN HAS FLOWN THE GIANT FIGURE TO HIS FORTRESS OF SOLITUDE...
I'LL USE BRAINIAC'S SHRINKING RAY, WHICH ONCE SHRANK THE CITY OF KANDOR DOWN TO BOTTLE SIZE, TO SHRINK JIMMY DOWN TO NORMAL SIZE! JIMMY SURE WILL BE AMAZED TO LEARN WHAT A MENACE HE WAS!
;GASP!; ...W-WHERE AM I? WH-WHAT HAPPENED?
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THEN, AS SUPERMAN TRANSPORTS A NORMAL JIMMY TO THE VOLCANIC ISLE AND RIPS AWAY THE STEEL "CARPET"...
T-THERE'S THE PIRATE TREASURE!
YES! GOXO INTENDED TO DIG IT UP AFTER THE GEOLOGISTS LEFT! NOW JIMMY, WE'LL RETURN TO METROPOLIS WHERE YOU CAN GET INTO REGULAR CLOTHING AGAIN! AFTER I MAKE YOU ANOTHER SIGNAL-WATCH, AND FIX ALL THE DAMAGE, I INTEND TO PULVERIZE GOXO'S GROWTH RAY TO DUST!
THE END

Cora
the
CAR HOP
YES, SIR. CAN I HELP YOU ?
MOVING
VAN
MY PARTNER AND I WOULD LIKE TWO HAMBURGERS, PIE AND COFFEE !
I'LL BRING IT RIGHT OVER !
EATS
AND
WHERE ARE THEY? THE TRUCK CAB IS EMPTY !
WE'RE HERE, MISS. WE LIKE TO EAT IN STYLE !

COMING SUPER-ATTRACTIONS!

JUNE SUPERBOY COMICS ON SALE APRIL 6th

MON-EL CAME FROM OUTER SPACE. LIKE SUPERBOY!

MON-EL HAD SUPER-STRENGTH AND COULD FLY. LIKE SUPERBOY!

MON-EL SAID HE WAS BORN ON KRYPTON. LIKE SUPERBOY!

MON-EL SAID HE WAS THE SON OF JOR-EL AND LARA. LIKE SUPERBOY!

DO YOU BELIEVE HIM ?

Read the Sensational story... "SUPERBOY'S BIG BROTHER!"

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Two Smash Hits!

SUPERBOY in "CLARK KENT Goes to REFORM SCHOOL!"

(AN AMAZING RED KRYPTONITE MYSTERY)

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HORDES OF TINY MEN OF STEEL FROM THE BOTTLE CITY OF KANDOR INVADE THE EARTH!

Can you guess why?

Also... SUPERGIRL VISITS THE FUTURE AND JOINS THE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES!

SUPERMAN NATIONAL COMICS DC

JIMMY OLSEN'S *Pen-Pals*

Dear Editor: As a loyal follower of Jimmy Olsen's adventures, I note that the main theme of many of your stories emphasizes the fact that Jimmy is always getting into trouble and SUPERMAN always has to rescue him. Well, why don't you have one story in which SUPERMAN gets in trouble and Jimmy has to save him?

Billy Miller, Garden City, Mich.

(What have you been exposed to, Red Kryptonite? We've published many stories wherein SUPERMAN gets into a jam and Jimmy has to save his buddy from some menace. The most recent case was in Issue No. 50 ("The Super-Life of Jimmy Olsen") which showed, on the cover, Jimmy about to rescue SUPERMAN, who had lost his powers temporarily, from a pool of quicksand.—Ed.)

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Dear Editor: I would like to thank you very much for the story, "The Monsters From Earth", in Issue No. 47 of JIMMY OLSEN Comics. I feel that this story showed that we on Earth may look horrible to people on other planets and that the people on other planets are not always the ugly ones.

Dona Schatz, New Hyde Park, N. Y.

(You sound like a BIZARRO. If you don't dig us, see the June issue of our companion magazine, ADVENTURE COMICS, which features a new series, "Tales of the BIZARRO World."—Ed.)

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Dear Editor: Your recent story, "The Lord of Olsen Castle", gave us readers a chance to exercise our wits by letting us try to guess the surprise ending. The stories are fun to read because the plot usually ends in an unpredictable way—which this tale certainly did. Let's have more stories in which the reader is challenged to try and guess what the surprise ending will be.

Paul Gambaccini, Westport, Conn.

(We strive for a story with a surprise ending, of the type made famous by the great short story writer, O.Henry, in each issue. If we can keep you in suspense and really keep you guessing until the last few panels, then we feel we've done a lot to entertain you. We think very few fans will guess the surprise ending of the story, "The Black Magician", in this issue. And we predict very few readers will guess the twist in "The Mad Woman of Metropolis", in the June issue of LOIS LANE Comics.—Ed.)

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Dear Editor: At various times KRYPTO, SUPERGIRL and Lori the Mermaid have all tried to get SUPERMAN to marry Lois Lane. Why not let Jimmy Olsen try next? After all, he does have a reason: Lucy Lane, his sweetheart (when she isn't going out with other fellows) has repeatedly told him that she will not marry Jimmy until Lois Lane, her sister, has married. Lois, of course, will only marry SUPERMAN.

Bob Friedman, Merrick, Long Island, N. Y.

(Sold! We'll assign one of our writers to dream up a story wherein Jimmy tries to play Cupid. But frankly, we don't think Jimmy will succeed where the others have failed.—Ed.)

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Dear Editor: In the story, "The Super-Life of Jimmy Olsen", toward the end of the story SUPERMAN makes a phone call to Linda Lee. I would like to know how SUPERMAN got the money for the call. Don't tell me he has pockets in his action suit.

Charles Nutt, Dover, N. J.

(You call this a problem? You forget that the Man of Steel keeps his Clark Kent clothes in the secret pouch inside the lining of his cape, so obviously he could have taken some coins from Clark's pocket. And if he didn't find any change there, he could have called Linda by reversing the charges.—Ed.)

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Dear Editor: I think Lucy Lane is a cold, mean, spoiled, selfish, vain, conceited, cruel and thoughtless girl for the way she treats nice, generous, handsome, warm, clever, witty, friendly Jimmy Olsen. How I'd like to see Jimmy make her crawl!

Ann Clements, Washington, D. C.

(Many loyal, devoted, avid, sincere, true, and unswerving fans of Jimmy Olsen have written us similarly. So watch for a future, early, subsequent issue in which Jimmy, with the help of SUPERMAN, gives Lucy a dramatic, unforgettable, forceful, heartbreaking, tearful lesson.—Ed.)

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Dear Editor: How about a story in which SUPERMAN takes Jimmy Olsen through the time barrier to visit his family on Krypton before it exploded?

Larry Levine, Schenectady 9, N. Y.

(We have news for you. Jimmy visited the planet Krypton in Issue No. 36, in a story, "How Jimmy Olsen Met Superman."—Editor.)

Note: Send all comments on a postal card to: "JIMMY OLSEN'S PEN PALS, National Comics, 575 Lexington Ave., New York 22, N. Y.

SUPERMAN'S PAL JIMMY OLSEN

EXECUTE THIS EVIL WIZARD!
B-BUT I'M NOT A SORCERER, KING ARTHUR! I TELL YOU, I'M JIMMY OLSEN, A BOY REPORTER FROM THE FUTURE, MAROONED IN THE PAST!
HA, HA! YOU ARE DOOMED... DOOMED... DOOMED! HA, HA!
OUR STORY BEGINS WITH CUB REPORTER JIMMY OLSEN PLAYFULLY MASQUERADING AS AN ANCIENT KNIGHT. SOON, HOWEVER, HE IS NO LONGER LAUGHING AS HE FINDS HIMSELF STRANDED BACK IN THE OLDEN DAYS OF KING ARTHUR AND THE KNIGHTS OF THE ROUND TABLE, FALSELY ACCUSED OF BEING NONE OTHER THAN...

The BLACK MAGICIAN

ONE EVENING, IN JIMMY OLSEN'S APARTMENT, AS THE YOUNG REPORTER DONS THE ARMOR HE IS GOING TO WEAR TO THE DAILY PLANET'S ANNUAL COSTUME BALL...
EVERYONE AT THE BALL WILL COME DRESSED LIKE SOME CHARACTER FROM THE TIME OF KING ARTHUR. I'LL GO AS A KNIGHT OF THE ROUND TABLE!

SUDDENLY, HE NOTICES...!
UH-OH! MY EDITOR, PERRY WHITE, LEFT HIS LIGHTER HERE WHEN HE DROPPED OFF SOME NOTES FOR A STORY I'M WORKING ON... I'LL BRING IT ALONG AND RETURN IT TO HIM!
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SOON, AT THE BALL, AS JIMMY DANCES WITH LUCY LANE...
GOLLY, LUCY, YOU LOOK LIKE A REAL QUEEN!
THEN CONSIDER IT A ROYAL COMMAND NOT TO STEP ON MY FOOT, CLUMSY!

AMONG THE GAY REVELERS ARE CLARK KENT, LOIS LANE AND PERRY WHITE...!
MAY A LOWLY BLACKSMITH DARE TO DANCE WITH THEE, FAIR LOIS?
YEA, CLARK, BUT WE MUST BEWARE OF PERRY, THE TOWN-CRIER!
HA, VERILY, A SCOOP!

MEANWHILE, OUTSIDE THE BUILDING, AN IMPISH FIGURE FROM THE 5TH DIMENSION MATERIALIZES... MR. MXYZPTLK!!
GRR-RR! THAT OAF OF AN OLSEN IS DANCING WITH LUCY, THE GIRL I ADORE! - SINCE SHE DESPISES ME, I'LL DISGUISE MYSELF!
PUFF!

MAGICALLY ALTERING HIS APPEARANCE, THE SILLY SPRITE ACCOSTS LUCY...
MY DANCE CARD IS ALMOST FULL! I'LL PUT YOU DOWN FOR DANCE NUMBER 9, ER... YOU DID SAY YOUR NAME IS JOE SMITH, DIDN'T YOU?
YEP!
1 JOHN CAROL
2 PETE DUNCAN
3 JIMMY OLSEN
4 TIM BURKE
5 ROY FAITH
6 BOB LOFT
7 SAM JONES
8 ED MAYNARD
9 JOE SMITH
10 WALT HURLEY

PRESENTLY...
PS-SST! C'MERE!
YEAH, YOU!
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AND AS JIMMY OBEYS...!
I LOVE LUCY... AND SO BEAT IT, OLSEN! SKIDDOO! I COMMAND YOU TO VANISH INTO THE PAST!
MXYZPTLK, YOU RAT! AWWRRKK! I'M D-DISAPPEARING ...!!
POP!
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AN INSTANT LATER, THE COSTUMED BOY REPORTER FINDS HIMSELF ON AN OPEN MOOR, AND BEFORE HIM RISE THE SPIRES AND TURRETS OF CAMELOT!
HO! THY CREST BETRAYS THOU ART A FOREIGNER! RESIST, STRANGE KNIGHT, AND YE DIE!
A MEDIEVAL CITY! THAT IMP'S SPELL WORKED! I'M IN THE PAST!

'URK!... REAL KNIGHTS! I-I'M BACK IN THE AGE OF CHIVALRY WHEN KNIGHTHOOD WAS IN FLOWER!
RESIST?!... A NICE, PEACEABLE, REASONABLE GUY LIKE ME?... ABSOLUTELY NOT!! LET'S BE BUDDIES!

AND AS JIMMY IS UNCEREMONIOUSLY HURLED INTO A DONKEY-CART, AND TAKEN INTO THE CITY...
WH-WHERE ARE WE ...ER... GOING?
'TIS THE LAW THAT ALL INTRUDERS FROM DISTANT LANDS BE BROUGHT BEFORE THE KING AND PUNISHED FOR INVADING THIS DOMAIN!
HEAR YE, HEAR YE! AN INVADER HATH BEEN CAPTURED!

GASP!! THAT TOWN-CRIER IS... PERRY WHITE!
HEY, CHIEF! IT'S ME, JIMMY!-- HELP!
DO NOT CALL ME CHIEF, ACCURSED INVADER! I HOPE THEY HANG THEE FROM THE HIGHEST SPIKE IN ALL CAMELOT!

CAMELOT... THE ROYAL CITY! ULP! THEN I'M BEING TAKEN TO-TO-KING ARTHUR!... WAIT! THAT BLACKSMITH... HE'S...
I KNOW THEE NOT, VILLAIN!
CLARK! CLARK KENT! I'M YOUR FRIEND, JIMMY!

SOON, INSIDE THE CASTLE...!
WATCH THIS, VARLET, WHILST I SEEK OUT THE KING! SHOULD HE MAKE ONE FALSE MOVE, RUN THE ROGUE THROUGH!
MOAN!! DARN THAT IMP, MXYZPTLK! HE GOT ME INTO THIS!

MOMENTS LATER, AT KING ARTHUR'S FAMOUS ROUND TABLE...!
MY LIEGE, WE HAVE CAPTURED AN ODD STRIPLING WHO TALKS MOST STRANGELY!
INDEED?- I SHALL QUESTION THE INTRUDER!
TEE-HEE! MAYHAP YE SHOULD QUESTION THE LOYALTY OF THESE HONORABLE KNIGHTS, SUCH AS... SIR LANCELOT...SIR GAWAIN... AND SIR GALAHAD...!
SWINE!
MIND HIM NOT! HE IS AN ADDLE-BRAINED JESTER!

SHORTLY, IN THE LAVISH THRONE ROOM OF KING ARTHUR'S COURT...!
FROM WHAT DISTANT LAND COME YE, FOREIGN KNIGHT? BE YE A TREACHEROUS SAXON?
¾GASP!¼ QUEEN GUINIVERE LOOKS EXACTLY LIKE LUCY LANE DID, AT THE BALL! AND HER LADY-IN-WAITING RESEMBLES... LUCY'S SISTER, LOIS LANE!!

ANSWER, KNAVE!!
¾GULP!¼--I'M FROM THE TWENTIETH CENTURY, IN THE DISTANT FUTURE, ART--ER--I MEAN, KING ARTHUR!
ORDER THE YOUTH SEARCHED, SIRE!

A MOMENT LATER, AS SOME OBJECTS ARE REMOVED FROM THE SUIT JIMMY WEARS UNDER HIS ARMOR...
WE FOUND THIS ON HIM, MY LORD!
WHAT MANNER OF INFERNAL INSTRUMENT IS THIS?
I'LL SHOW YOU WHAT IT'S FOR!

SEE? IT'S... A PENCIL USED FOR WRITING!
'TIS BEWITCHED! ENCHANTED!
WHAT IS YON OBJECT ATOP THE--ER--PENCIL??
now is the time for...
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AS THE YOUTH FROM THE FUTURE ILLUSTRATES...
IT'S A RUBBER ERASER! WATCH! AS I RUB WITH IT, THE WRITING DISAPPEARS!
WITCHCRAFT!...THE WRITING HAS BECOME INVISIBLE!!
AND WHAT BE THIS?

QUICKLY, JIMMY DEMONSTRATES...
IT'S JUST A CIGARETTE-LIGHTER, THAT'S ALL!
I FORGOT TO RETURN IT TO PERRY AT THE BALL!
GAAA!
FLAMES FROM HADES SPURT FORTH. 'TIS DEVILTRY!

AND AS THE SEARCH CONTINUES...
WHAT MEANS THE WORDS... "E PLURIBUS UNUM" ...ON THAT SILVER COIN? IS IT A MAGIC INCANTATION USED TO SUMMON UP DEMONS?
NOT AT ALL, KING! THAT'S MONEY FROM MY FUTURE TIME-ERA... AND THE LATIN WORDS MEAN "OUT OF MANY, ONE"!

AND WHEN LUCY'S PHOTOGRAPH IS FOUND IN JIMMY'S WALLET...
GASP!! 'TIS GUINIVERE'S LIKENESS IMPRISONED ON PAPER!...DIDST THOU PERCHANCE INTEND TO KILL MY QUEEN THROUGH BLACK MAGIC BY DESTROYING THIS LIKENESS OF HER, WIZARD?!
NO!--ACCORDING TO FUTURE RECORDS, THE ONLY WIZARD LIVING AROUND HERE IS MERLIN!

THOU LIEST, CHURL! THIS MAN IS MERLIN! HE IS MY JESTER, NOT A WIZARD!
HM-MM. SOMEHOW THIS LAD KNOWETH I AM SECRETLY A MAGICIAN! HIS MAGIC MAY BE GREATER THAN MINE! METHINKS I MUST DESTROY HIM! I WILL USE MY MAGIC TO FASTEN GUILT UPON HIM, THOUGH HE BE INNOCENT!
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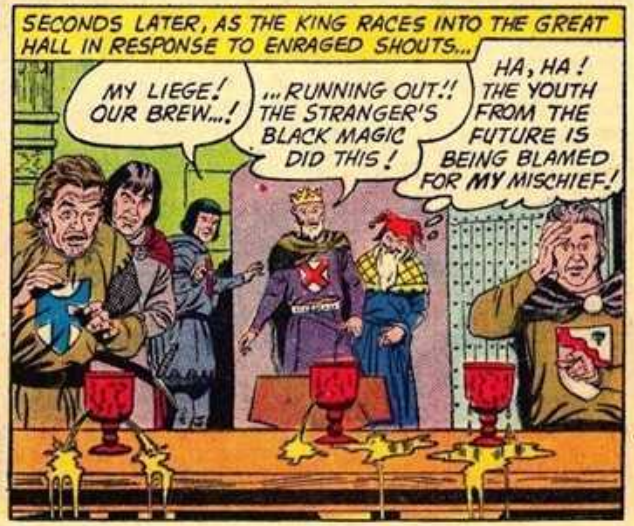
SECONDS LATER, AS THE KING RACES INTO THE GREAT HALL IN RESPONSE TO ENRAGED SHOUTS...
MY LIEGE! OUR BREW...!
...RUNNING OUT!! THE STRANGER'S BLACK MAGIC DID THIS!
HA, HA! THE YOUTH FROM THE FUTURE IS BEING BLAMED FOR MY MISCHIEF!

AND WHEN KING ARTHUR RETURNS TO THE THRONE ROOM...
WHILST THOU WERE GONE, OUR RICH GARMENTS M-MAGICALLY CHANGED TO RAGS!
THIS IS THY FOUL WORK, FIEND!
B-BUT I'M NOT GUILTY... I'M BEING FRAMED BY SOMEONE!
;CHUCKLE;--HOW EASILY I TIGHTEN THE WEB OF DOOM ABOUT THE STRANGER WITH MY MAGIC!

ANGRILY, THE KNIGHTS SEEK TO ATTACK JIMMY, BUT MERLIN SECRETLY THWARTS THEM WITH MORE BLACK MAGIC...!
ZOUNDS! OUR SWORD BLADES DROOP LIMPLY!
AND OUR LANCES TURN TO... ARGHH!... SNAKES!
NOW, FOR THE CRUELEST CUT OF ALL!...
;SNICKER;
GAD-ZOOKS! M-MY ROYAL COACH!

MY NOBLE STEEDS HAVE TURNED INTO IGNOBLE, HUGE WHITE MICE! AND...;GASP!;... YON TOWER RISES UP INTO THE SKY AS THOUGH HOISTED UPWARD BY INVISIBLE DEVILS!

NOW A FIRE-BREATHING DRAGON HAS COME TO SLAY MY ROYAL SUBJECTS! OH, WHAT WOE HAS DESCENDED UPON CAMELOT SINCE THIS AWFUL LAD CAME TO STRIKE TERROR INTO OUR MIDST?

IMPRISON THE SORCERER IN A DUNGEON! ON THE MORROW HE SHALL DIE!
NAY, SHOW HIM MERCY! HE HAS A KIND FACE!
TH-THAT'S JUST WHAT LUCY WOULD'VE SAID! HMM... THE RESEMBLANCE BETWEEN THE QUEEN AND LUCY IS UNCANNY!

HER PLEAS DISREGARDED, THE QUEEN LATER VISITS THE CAPTIVE YOUTH...
NO LAD WITH SO KIND AND SIMPLE A FACE COULD POSSIBLY BE AN EVIL MAGICIAN!... I HAVE BROUGHT THEE A HAM-BONE AND GOAT'S MILK TO APPEASE THY HUNGER AND THIRST!
THANKS, BUT I... I HAVEN'T AN APPETITE...

AFTER THE QUEEN LEAVES, JIMMY GETS A SUDDEN INSPIRATION...
WOW! WHAT A TERRIFIC IDEA!!... I'LL SCRAWL A FEW WORDS ON THE BACK OF THIS LAUNDRY BILL FROM 1961 A.D.! IF MY HUNCH IS CORRECT, IT WILL SAVE MY NECK!
NEXT MORNING, AS JIMMY IS LED OUT TO BE EXECUTED...
HAST THOU ANY FINAL WORDS TO SAY, SORCERER?
YEAH, I'D LIKE MERLIN TO READ MY LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT!
WHY NOT? IT WILL AMUSE ME EXCEEDINGLY!
AND AS MERLIN COMPLIES...
"I HEREBY BEQUEATH TO NILREM..." OH-OH! ALL MY MIGHTY MAGIC CANNOT STOP ME FROM BEING BANISHED BACK TO THE 5TH DIMENSION FROM WHENCE I CAME! THE YOUTH HATH OUTWITTED ME!
PUFF!
INSTANTLY, THROUGHOUT CAMELOT, MERLIN'S MISCHIEF IS UNDONE...!
THE TOWER HAS SAFELY DESCENDED!
THE RETURNING DRAGON IS VANISHING!
THE ROYAL HORSES ARE BACK!
AND AS THE GLAD TIDINGS REACH KING ARTHUR...
WHAT A GRAVE INJUSTICE THOU HAST BEEN DONE! I HUMBLY THANK THEE FOR EXPOSING MY JESTER TO BE A SPITEFUL WIZARD, VALIANT KNIGHT!
NO PERSON OF THIS WORLD CAN WORK MAGIC, AND SO I GUESSED... MERLIN MUST BE A GREAT-GREAT-GREAT ANCESTOR OF MR.MXYZPTLK, FROM THE 5TH DIMENSION!!
BY TRICKING MERLIN INTO READING HIS NAME WRITTEN BACKWARDS, I CAUSED HIM TO RETURN TO THE 5TH DIMENSION FOR AT LEAST 90 DAYS! ULP! I'M... STARTING TO DISAPPEAR! MXYZPTLK'S SPELL ON ME MUST BE WEARING OFF!!
FAREWELL NOBLE LAD! YOU WERE NOT TO BLAME FOR THIS MISCHIEF, AFTER ALL!

INTO THE WORLD OF THE PRESENT MATERIALIZES JIMMY, BACK AT THE BALL...!
I'VE GOT TO GET RID OF THAT DISGUISED IMP MXYZPTLK BEFORE HE CAUSES MORE MISCHIEF! BUT HOW CAN I ??
SOON...
BUT YOU PROMISED THE 9TH DANCE TO ME! IT'S MINE!
ARE YOU SURE?! WHAT DOES IT SAY ON MY DANCE CARD?
A MOMENT LATER...
IT SAYS... KLTPZYXM HAS DANCE NUMBER... YOWLP! I READ MY REAL NAME BACKWARDS AND IT'S SENDING ME BACK TO THE 5TH DIMENSION FOR 90 DAYS! BUT HOW...?
YOU CAN THANK ME FOR THIS, YOU ZANY PEST!!
PUFF!
KLTPZYXM
:CHUCKLE:--UNNOTICED BY MXYZPTLK, I CALLED OVER LUCY--REVEALED HIS IDENTITY TO HER--AND TOLD LUCY TO ERASE THE "JOE SMITH" NAME ON HER DANCE-CARD AND REPLACE IT WITH MXYZPTLK'S NAME WRITTEN BACKWARDS!
AND AS JIMMY TELLS LUCY ABOUT HIS EXPERIENCES IN ANCIENT CAMELOT...
BUT IN YOUR ADVENTURE, MERLIN WAS KING ARTHUR'S JESTER, INSTEAD OF HIS WIZARD! HOWEVER, ALL THE BOOKS SAY...!
DON'T YOU SEE? MERLIN MUST HAVE RETURNED TO EARTH AFTER THE 90 DAYS AND CONVINCED THE KING HE WOULD USE HIS MAGICAL POWERS TO HELP KING ARTHUR...!
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AND SO HE GOT THE JOB OF COURT WIZARD!...WHEW! I TURNED THE TABLES ON TWO MISCHIEF-MAKERS IN ONE DAY!
YOU DESERVE TWO KISSES FOR THAT! A KISS FOR EACH VICTORY!
END

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OH, MOTHER, I'M HAVING SOME BOYS AND GIRLS OVER TONIGHT-- WE'RE HAVING A PLATTER PARTY!
OH NO, YOU'RE NOT! YOUR FATHER HAS A COMMITTEE MEETING HERE THIS EVENING. YOU SHOULD HAVE ASKED ME FIRST!
OH, DRAT! KIDS HAVE NO RIGHTS AROUND THIS HOUSE!
LATER...
LAURIE, PLEASE! YOU'RE TYING UP THE PHONE! I HAVE TO MAKE A CALL!
ALL RIGHT! ALL RIGHT!... GOLLY, I HOPE I'M ALLOWED TO BREATHE AROUND HERE!
WHOA, SIS! YOU'VE GOT EVERYTHING MIXED UP! YOU'RE NOT THE ONE THAT'S BEING MIS-TREATED! PARENTS HAVE RIGHTS, TOO, YOU KNOW!
HUH?
SURE, I USED TO GRIPE LIKE YOU, BUT NOW I REMEMBER HOW I USED TO SCATTER THE SUNDAY PAPERS... OR COME HOME LATE FOR SUPPER... AND WONDER WHY MOM AND DAD WERE ANNOYED...
I WAS ONLY THINKING OF MYSELF, AND NOT THINKING OF THEM AT ALL!
THAT WAS PRETTY SELFISH OF YOU, BOB!
GOLLY!... YOU MEAN... I...?
YOU'RE CATCHING ON, SIS!

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